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Letter dated 3 February 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit the text, in English and French, of a statement of the Presidency of the European Community on the recognition of Slovenia and Croatia, issued at Lisbon on 16 January 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the forty-seventh session of the General Assembly under the item entitled "Review of the implementation of the Declaration on the Strengthening of International Security".

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ANNEX

Statement by the Presidency of the European Community on the recognition of Yugoslav Republics, issued at Lisbon on 16 January 1992

The Presidency wishes to inform that, in conformity with the declaration of 16 December 1991 on the recognition of States and its application to Yugoslavia, and in the light of the advice of the Arbitration Commission, the Community and its member States have now decided, in accordance with these provisions and in accordance with their respective procedures, to proceed with the recognition of Slovenia and Croatia.

With regard to the other two Republics which have expressed the wish to become independent, there are still important matters to be addressed before a similar step by the Community and its member States will be taken.